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FM AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO

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INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

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C O N F I D E N T I A L MOGADISCIO 0928

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SUBJ: NIMEIRI' S GOOD OFFICES EFFORTS

1. AFTER VISIT TO ADDIS, NIMEIRI ARRIVED MOGADISCIO JUNE 24 AND DEPARTED JUNE 25 ONCE AGAIN FOR ADDIS BEFORE RETURNING TO KHARTOUM.
2. DIFFICULT TO TELL HOW MUCH SUCCESS NIMEIRI HAD HERE IN THANKLESS MISSION GOWON HAD GIVEN HIM TO TRY TO GET ETHIOPIANS AND SOMALIS TO COOL IT. PERSONAL RELATIONS BETWEEN NIMEIRI AND SIAD OBVIOUSLY VERY GOOD. BUT SOMALIS ARE NOT SAYING MUCH ABOUT VISIT.
3. SIAD DID TELL AMBASSADOR, HOWEVER, THAT NIMEIRI HAD BROUGHT HIM EMPEROR' S PROPOSAL TO RE- ESTABLISH JOINT MILITARY COMMISSION PER KHARTOUM AGREEMENT TO VISIT BORDER ANE EXAMINE TROOP DISPOSITIONS ON BOTH SIDES. SIAD SAID THIS NOT ENOUGH AND HE HAD SO TOLD NIMEIRI. ETHIOPIAN TROOP WHICH HAD BEEN MOVED INTO BORDER AREA OVER PAST MONTHS MUST OE WITHDRAWN. CURRENT SITUATION TOO DANGEROUS.

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4. COMMENT: SOMALIS OBVIOUSLY WANT TO KEEP THEIR PROBLEMS IN THE LIMELIGHT AND TO GET SUDANESE AS WELL AS OTHERS OF THE 8- NATION COMMISSION AS MUCH INVOLVED AS POSSIBLE NOT ONLY IN THE IMMEDIATE TENSIONS BUT ALSO IN THE BASIC TERRITORIAL ISSUE. AND THEY ARE EXPLOITING PRESENCE OF ETHIOPIAN REINFORCEMENTS IN OGADEN TO DO IT. THIS BEING SAID, BELIEVE SOMALIS ARE STILL NERVOUS ABOUT ETHIOPIAN INTENTIONS.
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